

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L BRASILIA 1278

RIO FOR MARITIME ATTACHE KINSELLA

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MARR, UK, FR, CA, NO, GW, NL, MS, VE, AR, BR  
SUBJECT: POTENTIAL SHUTDOWN OF OMEGA TRINIDAD TRANSMITTER

REF: STATE 43187 (DTG 180004Z FEB 78)

1. WE BELIEVE A REQUEST TO THE GOB TO EXPRESS CONCERN TO THE  
GOTT ABOUT THE SHUTDOWN OF OMEGA IN TRINIDAD MIGHT  
PREJUDICE OUR EFFORTS TO GAIN AGREEMENT TO THE UP-GRADING OF ALL  
THE OMEGA MONITOR SITES IN BRAZIL AND TO NEGOTIATE THE CONTINUING  
OPERATION OF OMEGA IN BRAZIL. WE ASKED THE FOREIGN MINISTRY  
BY NOTE ON OCTOBER 28, 1977 FOR PERMISSION TO UP-GRADE OMEGA  
MONITORING EQUIPMENT AT THREE SITES IN BRAZIL; THE NATIONAL OBSERVATORY

IN RIO, AND NAVAL BASES IN BELEM AND RECIFE. WE ALSO ASKED TO  
NEGOTIATE AN AGREEMENT FOR THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF THE  
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MONITORING SITES IN BRAZIL. ON FEBRUARY 15, 1978 THE FOREIGN  
MINISTRY, AFTER AN EXTENDED STAFFING OF THE ISSUE IN THE  
MINISTRY OF THE NAVY, GRANTED PERMISSION FOR THE UP-GRADING  
OF THE NATIONAL OBSERVATORY EQUIPMENT ONLY. WE ARE LOOKING INTO  
GOB'S REASONS FOR NOT YET RESPONDING TO OUR REQUEST TO UPGRADE  
EQUIPMENT AT RECIFE AND BELEM.

2. WE DO NOT THINK IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO CALL GOB  
ATTENTION TO TROUBLES USG IS HAVING NEGOTIATING OMEGA PRESENCE  
IN TRINIDAD-TOBAGO WHILE GOB IS CONSIDERING OUR OMEGA  
PROPOSAL. UNLESS DEPARTMENT INSTTUCTS US TO BE CONTRARY, FOR THE  
MOMENT WE DO NOT INTEND TO APPROACH THE MINISTRY  
ABOUT THE PROBLEM WITH THE GOTT.  
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